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With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the International Search Report. At least some of the references were recently cited in an International Search Report mailed July 11, 2005.

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U.S. Patent No. 5,550,943 is an English equivalent to European Patent No. 0 642 675 B1.

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U.S. Patent No. 4,657,341 is an English equivalent to German Patent No. 34 08 783 C2.

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